

## Message Text

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S/S- MR. ORTIZ

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY CARACAS FLASH

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E.O. 11652: DECLASSIFY UPON RELEASE

TAGS: PFOR, VE

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. PLEASE DELIVER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE  
PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT PEREZ. IF RECIPIENT NOT AVAILABLE,  
DELIVER TO HIGHEST OFFICIAL AVAILABLE.

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I MADE THE DIFFICULT DECISION TO REQUEST SECRETARY  
KISSINGER TO POSTPONE HIS LONG-PLANNED TRIP TO YOUR  
COUNTRY WITH GREAT REGRET. THE TRAGIC EVENTS IN INDO-  
CHINA WHICH FORCED THIS MOVE ARE FAMILIAR TO YOU. THE  
PRESSURE OF EVENTS WAS SUCH THAT I HAD NO CHOICE.

MR. PRESIDENT, I ATTACH GREAT SIGNIFICANCE TO THE CONTINUED  
GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS AND IT WAS MY  
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EARNEST DESIRE THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER CARRY MY PERSONAL  
ASSURANCES TO YOU OF THIS FACT. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING  
YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER, RAMON ESCOVAR SALOM, DURING THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES,

NEXT MONTH. IN THE COURSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY I AM  
ALSO CONFIDENT THAT MINISTER ESCOVAR AND SECRETARY

KISSINGER WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO DISCUSS THE AGENDA  
OF HEMISPHERIC AND GLOBAL ISSUES WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN  
COVERED DURING THE SECRETARY'S VISIT TO CARACAS.

I HAVE ASKED SECRETARY KISSINGER TO GIVE HIGH PRIORITY TO  
RESCHEDULING HIS TRIP TO SOUTH AMERICA.

MOST SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. END TEXT.

3. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT BUT HAS  
NO OBJECTION IF GOV WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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